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My LORD,

Was exceedingly ſurpriz'd to find an *Advertiſement* of your Lordſhip's in the *Daily Courant* and the *St. James's Poſt* of the 28th of the laſt Month; giving the Town Notice of a Matter of Fact variouſly to be reported (a Tale differently to be told) by your ſelf, and a Brother of the ſame Order in the Church with your ſelf. I had frequently met with Challenges of Maſters of Defence, Gladiators of the *Bear-Garden*, in thoſe Authentic Journals: But this, I believe, is the firſt time that they invited the Populace to come

and ſee a Prize fought by two Biſhops. Your Lordſhip gravely concludes this Ludicrous Citation of yours with a ſolemn Prayer to God *to put a ſtop to ſuch Behaviour of Divines, as brings Infamy upon the Chriſtian Name*; and then as gravely profeſſes your ſelf to be (that very Moment) *in ſuch a Diſpoſition of Mind* as is fit for a Prelate *to die in*. Could you imagine that your acting ſuch a Part as this, and upon ſuch a Stage, would raiſe the Honour of the *Chriſtian Name*, or ſtrengthen the Repute of your own Order? The late Maſquerader in the *Hay Market*, did not (could not) more effectually expoſe them both. I am weary of following your Lordſhip through all the Kennels of the Town; and therefore have reſolv'd to ſit me down a while, and reflect (in this ſomewhat more private manner) on the ſeveral Dirty Tours we have made.

'Twas but on *Friday* (the forſaid *June* 28.) that Dr. *Snape*'s *Second Letter* was publiſh'd; and the *Courant*, &c. of the ſame Day brought your Lordſhip's Declaration of War (ſome Hours before the *Letter* could be had in *Weſtminſter-Hall*) in the Form following:

'WHEREAS the *Reverend* Dr. *Snape*, in 'his *Second Letter* to the *Biſhop* of *Ban-*'*gor*, hath thought fit, in *Page* 40. to leave the '*Argument*, and to lay a very heavy Accuſation

'upon

upon him, in the following Words, *viz. I pray recollect your ſelf, and put theſe Plain Queſtions home to your own Conſcience: Whether your* Abſolutely's *and* Properly's, *and ſuch-like evaſive Words, were not omitted in your* Sermon, *as it was originally compos'd? Whether you did not, before it was preach'd ſhew it a certain Perſon without ſuch Limitations? And whether you was not with Difficulty prevail'd upon by Him, to inſert them by way of Caution? If you think fit to anſwer the World in the* Negative, *I engage that a Perſon of unqueſtionable Veracity, of as high and ſacred a Station as your Lordſhip, will charge himſelf with the Proof of the* Affirmative. And whereas that *Reverend Doctor*, in *Page* 67, of his *Second Letter*, hath thought fit, in a Manner hardly to be paralel'd, to inſinuate that the Biſhop hath a *Mental Reſervation, to juſtify his ſolemn Appeal to God, that* what he preach'd was without the Knowledge of any Man living; *when* (as the Doctor adds) *a* Living Man *hath teſtified that it was preach'd with his Knowledge, and ſubmitted to his Correction.* In a Caſe of this Nature, I can do nothing but appeal to the World in the Manner following: I have *recollected* My ſelf, and put theſe Queſtions home *to my* own *Conſcience*; and I do here ſolemnly averr, That the Words mentioned as Evaſive Words, not only were in the *Sermon* originally, but were intended and deſigned to be ſo; that I did *not*, before it was preach'd, ſhew it to any Perſon in the World, either *with*, or *without*, ſuch Limitations; and conſequently, could not poſſibly be perſwaded by any Perſon to inſert thoſe Words; and that I think I have given the World ſufficient Proof of

my Regard to Plain and Open Speaking, by what I have experienced upon that Account only. And having thus ſolemnly anſwered the World in the *Negative*; I do here, in the moſt publick Manner, call upon the *Doctor*, by all the Regard due to Conſcience and Honour; I expect, I require him, by all the Ties of Chriſtian Duty, either to make publick Reparation for ſo uncommon an Injury in ſo tender a Point; or to produce immediately that Worthy Perſon *of the ſame High and Sacred Station, who*, He engages, *will charge himſelf with the Proof of the* Affirmative; and likewiſe to name that *Living Man, who*, He affirms, *hath teſtified that the* Sermon *was preach'd with his Knowledge, and ſubmitted to his Correction.* I do here demand this; and put the whole of my Reputation upon this ſingle Point. If the Reverend Dr. *Snape* doth not immediately, either acknowledge his Miſtake, or make good what he hath *engaged*, He muſt be content to be thought, by all the World, what I will not ſay. In the mean while, I pray God to put a Stop to ſuch Behaviour of Divines, as brings an Infamy upon the *Chriſtian* Name. I forgive it from the Bottom of my Soul: And I thank God, I am in ſuch a Diſpoſition of Mind, as that I could Die, ſooner than *Give* or *Return*, ſuch Uſage, as I have met with, through this whole Controverſy.

BENJ. BANGOR.

The Peruſal of this *Manifeſto* gave me the firſt Opportunity that I had of obſerving a ſmall Miſtake in that Part of the Letter wherein

wherein alone I was like to be concern'd; and which your Lordſhip ſeems to have flown at, with ſuch an Eagerneſs and Fervour of Spirit as can hardly be conſiſtent (in any other Man) with that *calm* and *undiſturb'd* Diſpoſition wherein you profeſs your ſelf to have been at the penning of your ſaid Declaration.

Had your Lordſhip here appeal'd to any of your Hearers in the King's Chapel (inſtead of the wide World) for the Proof of *theſe Words being originally in the Sermon*, the Sentence moſt probably would have been this; "Whether they were in the Original, or "Written Copy of the *Sermon*, which the "Preacher had before him, I cannot tell; "but, if they were there, pretty ſure I am "that they were drop'd in the Delivery. "Had I heard the Epithets of *Abſolute* and "*Infallible* given to that Authority againſt "which his Lordſhip ſo earneſtly inveigh'd, "I ſhould immediately have ſuppos'd him "to have been declaiming againſt the Pope "and the Church of *Rome*; whereas I un-"derſtood the whole Bent, Deſign and Pur-"poſe, of his Diſcourſe, to be in Favour of "the Diſſenters, and Derogation of the Au-"thority of the Eſtabliſh'd Church of *Eng-"land*." Theſe (moſt undoubtedly) were the Sentiments of the greateſt Part of your Auditory: Nor have I yet met with any one

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of them that took your Meaning in any other Light. To tell the plain Truth, the Repeal of the Law againſt *Occaſional Conformity* was then upon the Anvil; and 'twas confidently given out, that above Twenty of the Biſhops were ready to give their Aſſent to a Bill for that Purpoſe. It manifeſtly appear'd that the very Reverſe of this Story was true: But whether your Lordſhip had not a mind to enter your Diſſent in this Sermon, againſt the Majority of your Brethren, your own Conſcience can beſt inform you. Moſt of thoſe that heard it were certainly of this untoward Opinion.

Now, whether theſe *Evaſive Words* (as they are call'd) were in the Sermon as it was originally *penn'd*, or not, we find that many proper Judges are perſwaded that they were not in it as it was *preach'd*. We are all ſure they are in it, as it is *publiſh'd*: But from what Hand (or by whoſe Advice) they came there, may prove a Diſpute as endleſs, as 'tis frivolous. Why then ſhould your Lordſhip offer to *put the whole of your Reputation upon this* inviſible *Point?* This is never to be done. No, my Lord. There are other heavy Charges upon you; which you ſeem to be avoiding, by an Endeavour to ſhelter your ſelf in this dark Corner. The Lower Houſe of *Convocation* have (*Nemine Contradicente*) accus'd you of, 1. The Subverſion

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of all Government and Diſcipline in the Church of Chriſt. 2. Impeachment of the Regal Supremacy in Cauſes Eccleſiaſtical, and the Authority of the Legiſlature in Matters of Religion. Others have exhibited an Additional Schedule of New Articles; which loudly call for a more full Anſwer than hitherto you have vouchſaf'd to give them. But to proceed in my Narrative. That very Night Dr. *Snape*'s Reply was brought to me; but ſo late, and ſo much upon the Spur, that I could but juſt point out the main Failure in it; which was corrected in ſome meaſure, and the next Morning's *Poſt-Boy* gave it us thus:

Eton, June 28. 1717.

'WHEREAS the Right Reverend the Lord
'Biſhop of *Bangor* has publiſhed an *Ad-*
'*vertiſement* in the *Daily Courant* of this Day, re-
'quiring me to produce the Worthy Perſon, that
'will charge himſelf with the Proof of a Fact,
'charg'd on his Lordſhip by me, *Page* 40, of my
'*Second Letter*; I hereby declare, that I firſt
'receiv'd that Account from a
'Worthy Divine*, who aſſur'd me, * *Dr.* Hutchinſon.
'he heard the Right Reverend the
'Lord Biſhop of *Carliſle* declare, That he had
'ſpoke with the Perſon who adviſ'd my Lord of
'*Bangor*, upon Reading his Sermon, to inſert ſuch
'Words as *Abſolutely*, *&c.* That ſome Days after,
'the ſame Divine did again aſſure me, he had heard

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'the ſame Worthy Prelate a ſecond Time declare 'that Matter to be true, and that he would juſtify 'it to all the World. Upon which, I drew up 'that Paſſage, waited on my Lord Biſhop of *Carliſle*, 'read the Paſſage to him, and was allow'd by him 'to publiſh it, with an Aſſurance that he would 'ſtand to it. And I queſtion not but his Lordſhip, 'on whoſe Teſtimony I rely'd, will give my Lord 'of *Bangor* full Satisfaction.

A. SNAPE.

This is true. W. CARLIOL.

Inſtead of making any Remarks at preſent upon this *Advertiſement*, give me leave to tell your Lordſhip a ſhort Story. On *Monday* laſt Mr. *Bowyer* came to me in the *Lobby* of the *Houſe* of *Lords*; and produced a few written Lines, which he deſired me to ſubſcribe. The Contents were to this Purpoſe, That *whereas I had allow'd him to publiſh my Atteſtation to* Dr. SNAPE's *Paper, as amended, I did thereby certify that he had ſo publiſhed it.* This, I told him, I could not do: Becauſe he had not ſo amended the Paper, as by my Mark and ſubſequent Direction, and his Promiſe thereupon, he was oblig'd to do. I particularly pointed to him the Inconſiſtency of the concluding Words of that Paper, with what was neceſſarily to be underſtood by my ſtriking out the Words, *before it was preach'd*; and adjur'd him to take care that the Whole were

were corrected according to my Intent and Meaning, of which (he ſatisfy'd me) he was perfectly Maſter. Upon this Aſſurance, without a Minute's Converſation, (both of us being in great haſte, and I little ſuſpecting what would follow,) we parted; and the next Morning I found, as I have ſince found in a higher Inſtance, that I was miſtaken in my Man. He could not deny the Truth of my Allegations; as was apparent to ſeveral of our Brethren of the Bench, and other Clergymen, then preſent. Amongſt the reſt, Dr. *Waugh* was very falſly (as well as inſolently) accus'd by the Bookſeller, of adviſing and prevailing with me to decline the Subſcription: Which, in Juſtice to the worthy Doctor, as well as my ſelf, I declared to be an Impudent Slander. I ſhall have occaſion to make farther Uſe of this extraordinary Attempt by and by. In order to that, here follows your Lordſhip's ready Anſwer to the laſt recited Memorial; wherewith we were furniſh'd by both the *Evening-Poſts* of the ſame Day.

'WHereas the Right Reverend the Lord Biſhop
'of *Carliſle* hath teſtify'd, at the End of a
'publick *Advertiſement*, that he allow'd the Re-
'verend Dr. *Snape* to publiſh a Paſſage in *pag.* 4c.
'of his *Second Letter* to me, with an Aſſurance
'that he would ſtand to it; in which ſaid Paſſage,
'or Libel, is contain'd a Charge upon my Reputa-

 'tation,

'tion, in the tendereſt Point, in ſome Particulars 'which the ſaid Right Reverend Prelate is under-'ſtood to charge himſelf with the Proof of: I 'therefore find my ſelf under an abſolute Neceſſity, 'to call upon my Lord of *Carliſle*, in this publick 'Manner, to prove thoſe Particulars there charg'd, '*viz.* That the Words *Abſolutely* and *Properly*, &c. 'were omitted in the *Sermon* originally; that I did, '*before it was preach'd*, ſhew it a certain Perſon, 'without ſuch Limitations; and that I was *with 'Difficulty* prevail'd upon by him, to inſert them, '*by way of Caution*; as well as to produce that 'Living Man, who hath teſtify'd that the *Sermon* 'was preach'd with his Knowledge, and ſubmitted 'to his Correction. I have ſolemnly averr'd the 'contrary to theſe Particulars. *I do here again, in 'the Preſence of God, affirm what I have already 'affirmed*; and again put *the Whole of my Reputation* 'upon this Matter. I will not here enter, with his 'Lordſhip, into the Chriſtianity and Humanity of '*furniſhing an Adverſary with a Load of Perſonal 'Infamy, to ruin my good Name*, hitherto untouch'd 'by the moſt zealous of all my Enemies; and this 'without once enquiring what I had to ſay. But I 'muſt, in Juſtice to my ſelf, *demand* of his Lord-'ſhip, *immediately* to Name the Perſon mention'd 'in Dr. *Snape*'s *Advertiſement*. I know and affirm, 'that his Lordſhip never ſpake with the Perſon, 'who, upon reading my *Sermon*, adviſ'd me to in-'ſert ſuch Words as *Abſolutely*, &c. becauſe I 'know there is no ſuch Perſon in the World. 'And therefore I do here inſiſt upon what I have 'now demanded,

BENJ. BANGOR.

What I intended by my Subſcription to Dr. *Snape*'s Advertiſement, was very plain to all that heard what I alledg'd for my own Juſtification in the *Lobby*; and, as I have reaſon to believe that the Bookſeller had been with your Lordſhip before I ſaw him there, he might have done me ſo much Right, as to have explain'd to you what I did truly mean by it; and this would probably have prevented ſome of thoſe Expoſtulations which have been publiſh'd ſince *Monday*: But, being ſenſible of his own Neglect, he reſolv'd to try how far 'twas practicable to prevail with me to skreen him from the Reſentment of his Author. I ſhall frankly own that I never did think that Dr. *Snape* (or Dr. *Hutchinſon*) had any Intentions to miſrepreſent the Account I had given of your being oblig'd to a Friend's Advice, for the Convenience of ſome *ſaving* Words in your Sermon; becauſe (till, for the Preſervation of your Lordſhip's *untouch'd* and *unſoil'd* Credit, it came to carry more Weight) the Circumſtance of Time in this Matter of Fact was very inconſiderable. For this Reaſon, ſince the main of my Report was fairly repreſented in what Dr. *Snape* ſays he read to me, I will not doubt of his Veracity, in affirming, that I paſs'd it over without any Animadverſion; and allow'd the publiſhing of his

his Paragraph in the Groſs: And yet (as far as I have any Acquaintance with my own Heart) I never *thought* of the wholeſome Advice's being given and taken *before the Sermon was preach'd*; and therefore I am verily perſwaded that I never *ſaid* it was. To the remaining Part of this Challenge, I gave the following Anſwer in the *Monday*'s Papers:

" BEing charged in a very publick Manner by the " Lord Biſhop of *Bangor*, with *furniſhing his* " *Adverſary with a Load of Perſonal Infamy, to* " *ruin his good Name*; I do hereby aſſure his " Lordſhip, and the whole World, that I heartily " deteſt and abhor all ſuch villainous and mali- " cious Behaviour. I never did affirm, that the " Words *Abſolutely*, *Properly*, *&c.* were inſerted " in his Sermon, by *way of Caution*, before it was " *Preach'd*; but that before it was *Publiſh'd*, they " were *ſo* inſerted, I did (and do ſtill) verily be- " lieve. This Miſtake in Dr. *Snape*'s Report of " my Evidence, I mark'd in his Advertiſement, be- " fore it went to the Preſs; and allowed Mr. *Bow-* " *yer* to publiſh my Atteſtation to it, ſo Amended. " Whatever his Lordſhip may ſay to the contrary, " I do *know and affirm*, that there is *ſuch a Per-* " *ſon in the World*, who averr'd to me, that he " did *(with Difficulty)* prevail with the Lord Bi- " ſhop of *Bangor*, to inſert theſe Words in his " Sermon *before it was Publiſhed*; and that he had " formerly uſed the like Endeavours, but in vain, " to perſwade him to inſert them in ſome Para- " graphs of his *Preſervative*, where he thought

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" they might be of equal Service. I am not ſen-
" ſible that his Lordſhip has any Authority (*Ab-*
" *ſolute or Infallible*) *to demand of me* IMME-
" *DIATELY to name this Perſon:* But I take
" him to be a Man of ſo much Chriſtian Courage
" and Integrity, that he'll very ſhortly do his
" Lordſhip, himſelf, and me, that Juſtice, as
" openly to acknowledge the Truth of this State
" of the Caſe. I will not put the *Whole of my*
" *Reputation* (which I hope is as bulky as his
" Lordſhip's) *upon this Matter:* But I promiſe
" him, that if this is not quickly done by my
" Informant, he ſhall hear farther from me, who,
" *do here again, in the Preſence of God, affirm*
" *what I have already affirm'd.*

W. CARLIOL.

Your Lordſhip's preſſing me (with ſo much Earneſtneſs) to name my Informer *immediately*, was ſomewhat myſterious to me at firſt; but I now ſee there was other Cauſe for your ſo doing, than I was aware of. I had not much conceal'd his Name, being no way conſcious that what I had reported from him, was intruſted with me as a Secret: But, he being now at ſome Diſtance from the Town, I thought ſo much Reſpect was due to his Perſon and Character, as to give him Notice by Letter, of what was tranſacting here, before I publiſh'd his Name in Print. The Reverend Dr. *Kennet*, Dean of *Peter-*

borough,

borough, is the Man I mention; from whom alone I had the Information of your Lordſhip's applying to him for Advice, *before the publiſhing of your Sermon*, and your agreeing to the Counſel he gave, in the Manner and Form wherein I have already ſpecify'd it. What led to this, was, our diſcourſing on the *Report* of the *Lower Houſe of Convocation*; which, he ſaid, was not carried ſo unanimouſly as had been repreſented; That your Sermon was baſely miſunderſtood, miſrepreſented, *&c.* After ſome little Talk about the *Words* now under debate, he aſſur'd (with a ſmiling and pleas'd Countenance) that your Lordſhip was indebted to him for thoſe Faſtneſſes; for that he had prevail'd with you to inſert 'em. I put the Queſtion, Whether he had not been likewiſe advis'd with, before the publiſhing of your *Preſervative?* Yes, ſaid he, I was; and never was more ſolicitous for any Thing in my whole Life, than I was for the inſerting of *theſe* in ſome Parts of that Diſcourſe, which viſibly wanted them. The former part of his Story was told with ſuch an Aire of Complacency, Satisfaction, and Comfort, that I could look upon it no otherwiſe than as a certain Sign of the Pleaſure he took in reflecting on his own Happineſs, in being thus ſerviceable to *his Friend*;

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and I was thereupon the leſs cautious in reporting what *my Friend* ſeem'd deſirous to make publick for his own Honour. This (as I hope for Eternal Salvation!) is a faithful and punctual Account of what I had from Dr. *Kennet*'s own Mouth, to the beſt of my Remembrance, and the ſtricteſt Recollection that I can make of what paſs'd betwixt him and me on the Subject Matter of your Lordſhip's Sermon. But, — will Mr. Dean, who furniſh'd me with the Materials of this Piece of Hiſtory, ſupport my Teſtimony with his own? By no Means. He peremptorily avows, in his Letter to me by laſt *Wedneſday*'s Poſt, That *he had no Manner of Correſpondence with the Lord Biſhop of* Bangor *about the Preaching and Publiſhing his late Sermon*: That *he never Saw or Heard any one Paragraph in it, before it came out of the Preſs*: That *it was ever his Opinion, that the Lord Biſhop of* Bangor *acted wholly in that Matter, according to his own Judgment, without the the Aſſiſtance or Advice of any other Perſon*: And (laſtly) that *he muſt ever declare, in the moſt ſolemn Manner, that he never ſuggeſted to me, nor to any Mortal Man, that the Sermon was preached with his Knowledge, or ſubmitted to his Correction.* I did indeed expect, my Lord, that the different State of this whole Controverſy would have reſted betwixt your Lordſhip and the Dean: But, I now ſee,

'tis He or I that must *sink* or *swim*, as our Neighbours are pleas'd to *believe* or *disbelieve* us on our (respectively) contrary Vows and Protestations. I have already Appeal'd to the Righteous Judge of the Sincerity of my Heart, in all that I have said or written on this Point: And I must now submit my Reputation in the World, to be weigh'd in the Scales with Dr. *Kennet's*, and leave it to Man's Judgment to determine whether of us two will be reputed the more *faithful Historian*. The concluding Paragraph in his Letter is a little amazing; and therefore I shall transcribe it *verbatim*, and leave it entirely to your Lordship's and the Impartial Reader's Consideration: *I believe I could tell how your Lordship was drawn into such a Mistake; but there is no need at present to say more than, what I must have Leave to say, that your Lordship is mistaken, if you conceive me to be the Person who told you any such Thing.* My Blood was a little warm'd into Indignation, upon the Reading of this Clause. When I had earnestly call'd upon this Gentleman to do me Justice, shall he tell me that he can (he thinks) disentangle me; but he will not do it, for the present? If he can convince me of my being in an Error, and shew how I fell into it, let him (for his own sake, for God and his Truth's sake) discover what he knows: And I promise (God, of his

Mercy,

Mercy, I truſt, will enable me to perform) that I will thankfully take all that Shame to my ſelf, which he can prove to belong to me; and duly humble my ſelf before all the Powers of Heaven and Earth. Could he induce me to believe that I fell lately (in *his Study*, for there was the Place of our Conference) into a Swoon, or a Trance, and continued in that *Deliquium* (ſeeing Viſions, and dreaming Dreams) for ſeveral Minutes together, I might probably be perſwaded to think that all that I have ſaid of this Matter was the Effect of a diſtemper'd Brain; of ſome Fits of a Phrenzy, or an Epilepſy: But, if he never obſerv'd any thing of this kind in me, 'tis not likely that my *Miſtake* aroſe from my Bodily Infirmities. He may perhaps, at his Leiſure, diſcover ſome other Spring; which I am far from being able to gueſs at. I have done with Mr. *Dean*; till he thinks fit to explain this *dark Paragraph*. Let me only again obſerve to your Lordſhip, that this ſingle *Advertiſement* of mine appear'd firſt in the Papers of *Monday* laſt; when I dutifully attended the long Service of the Day in Parliament. On the Call of the Houſe, according to Order, I appear'd in my proper Place; but your Lordſhip's Abſence was excus'd, by an Averment that you were indiſpos'd. My Hopes were that you were

only *Sick* (as I was) of expoſing our Order by a ſcandalous War in the *News Papers*, to the Comfort of *Deiſts*, and all other Enemies of Reveal'd Religion. In this Chriſtian Wiſh (as I thought it to be) I found my ſelf miſtaken; when, on *Tueſday* Morning, your following long Diſſertation came in View.

'I Am very ſorry to have ſuch a Debate as this 'with the Lord Biſhop of *Carliſle*. But the 'Neceſſity of the Caſe will juſtify me to the 'World. In Anſwer therefore to his Lordſhip's '*Advertiſement*, I muſt affirm, that I charg'd him 'with nothing, but what he charg'd himſelf with, 'in Signing his Name to the Truth of Dr. *Snape*'s '*Advertiſement*. I am very much ſurpriz'd that 'the Biſhop, inſtead of certifying to the World, 'at that proper Time, that there was a Miſtake 'in the Doctor's Report of his Evidence, ſhould 'rather chuſe to amend the Doctor's *Advertiſe-* '*ment*, by leaving out theſe or the like Words, '(*Before it was preach'd.*) By which means he 'made it, in his own Intention, entirely different 'from the Doctor's Charge, which it was deſign'd 'to ſupport; and yet, in ſuch a manner, that the 'World ſhould not have any Suſpicion, but that 'the ſame Charge exactly was carried on, in that '*Advertiſement*, which was begun in the Doctor's '*Second Letter*. I do not lay any Part of this 'upon the Reverend Dr. *Snape*, becauſe he was out 'of Town, and this Amendment, (as it is call'd) 'of his *Advertiſement*, was tranſacted between the 'Biſhop, and the Doctor's Bookſeller: And then 'publiſh'd with the Doctor's Name to it, after 'an Alteration of his own Words, of which, I be-

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'lieve, he knew nothing. But this is not all. The 'Biſhop not only did not think fit to refuſe to ſign 'to the Truth of that *Advertiſement*, which he 'might juſtly have done, upon Occaſion of thoſe 'Words originally in it; not only alter'd it ſo, as 'to leave it to carry on the ſame infamous Charge, 'in the Opinion of all who ſhould read it, and yet 'leave to himſelf another Meaning, to be declar'd 'afterwards: Not only this, but he thought fit to 'ſign, *This is true*, to the Account which the 'Doctor there gives of what had paſs'd between 'them before. It is therefore acknowledg'd to be 'true, under the Biſhop's own Hand; that Dr. '*Hutchinſon* of *Hammerſmith* had heard the Bi'ſhop relate a certain Fact; and afterwards heard 'him declare, that he would juſtify it to the 'World; that, upon this, Dr. *Snape* drew up that 'Libel againſt me, (for ſo the Law allows me to 'call it) contain'd in *pag.* 40. of his *Second Let'ter*; that he brought this Libel to the Biſhop; 'that he read this Libel to him; that the Biſhop 'allow'd him to publiſh this Libel, with an 'Aſſurance that he would ſtand to it, and charge 'himſelf with the Proof of the Affirmative of what 'is there ſaid. I hope therefore, I may be juſti'fied in ſaying that he furniſh'd Dr. *Snape*, and 'willingly too, with that Load of Infamy, con'tain'd in that Page: And this, without once 'ſpeaking a Word to me about the Matter; which 'might have clear'd the whole at once. Now, 'that which was the End propos'd in Dr. *Snape*'s 'Charge, was, to prove me guilty of a ſolemn 'Falſhood, in ſaying, as I had done, *God knows, 'I preach'd it without the Knowledge of any Man 'living*; and therefore the Charge was, that it 'was not preach'd without the Knowledge of any

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Man living; but had been ſeen by a certain Perſon BEFORE it was preach'd. This is the very Charge, which the Doctor, in his *Advertiſement*, declares he read to the Biſhop; and which he was allow'd by the Biſhop to publiſh; with the Aſſurance of his ſtanding to it. And this Account of their conferring together for this good Purpoſe, the Biſhop himſelf teſtifies to be true, even at a time when he found fault with ſome Words in the *Advertiſement*, which again affirmed it. He heard this Charge read to him; he heard it read to him, that he charg'd himſelf with the Proof of this Charge; and the Charge was plain, that BEFORE it was preach'd, the Sermon was ſeen and alter'd; and could not be eaſily miſunderſtood, becauſe, in no other Way, it could anſwer the Doctor's End, in that Libel. His Lordſhip hath declared this Account to be True, under his own Hand: And conſequently declared that the Doctor read that Charge to him; and that he took upon himſelf the Proof of the Affirmative; and therefore, did Affirm, and undertake to prove, that the Sermon was ſeen, and alter'd Before preaching: which he now, in his own *Advertiſement*, denies that He ever Affirm'd. If what the Biſhop declared to be True, in the *Poſt-Boy* of *Saturday* laſt, be True; then, he did Affirm to Dr. *Snape* what he allow'd him, after reading it, to publiſh. If what he advertis'd Yeſterday be True; then he did not Affirm what Dr. *Snape* layeth to my Charge; and the Doctor muſt again vindicate his own Honour and Juſtice. This I am ſure of, that Both cannot be True; becauſe the One denies, what the Other affirms. The World, ſurely, will take Notice of this Unparallel'd Uſage of One, who, in All the Diſputes

" he hath engag'd in, hath always abhor'd to bring
" into the Debate any Part of the Perſonal Conduct
" of Thole from whom he hath differ'd: as likewiſe
" the *Nothing*, that this ſolemn and pompous
" Charge is going quickly to end in. At preſent
" my Lord Biſhop of *Carliſle*, by his own *Adver-*
" *tiſement*, hath acquitted me of the heavy Charge
" laid againſt me, by Dr *Snape*, till ſome other Au-
" thor be found out. It is now dwindled to quite
" another Charge, in which a *certain Perſon*, as
" yet nameleſs, is to appear very *ſhortly*, and
" *quickly*, *&c.* I am not yet a Judge of what hath
" been *averr'd* to his Lordſhip. I believe Dr. *Snape*
" thought himſelf as certain of what he underſtood
" to be *averr'd* to him. But this I will averr to the
" World, beforehand, that this new Charge is
" equally Falſe, and equally Groundleſs with the
" other; tho' not equally Infamous; and will come
" to an equally glorious End. I am ſorry if I have
" diſpleas'd his Lordſhip. He himſelf made it ab-
" ſolutely neceſſary. I never pretended to com-
" pare my Reputation with his Lordſhip's, or any
" other Man's. But untouch'd and unſoil'd as it
" hath hitherto been, I will not ſuffer it to be un-
" juſtly torn to Pieces by any Man Living.

BENJ. BANGOR.

You have here, my Lord, drawn my Picture in ſuch a Manner, as if (whilſt the Pencil was in your Hand) your Eyes were peeping into the Heart of one of the vileſt *Knaves* in Chriſtendom. What was in my Thoughts, when I *ſigned* my Name to Dr. *Snape's*

Snape's Advertiſement, I have already told your Lordſhip; and, if that will not clear me of your injurious Inſinuation of a Raſcally Tranſaction carry'd on betwixt me and the Doctor's *Bookſeller*, nothing that I can ever ſay or write will be ſufficient to ſet me at Reſt. I not only agree with your Lordſhip (I ſhall always be deſirous to do that, where 'tis poſſible for me to do it) that *I might juſtly have refus'd to Sign to the Truth of that* Advertiſement; but I do alſo aſſure you, that I was heartily troubled that, in the Hurry wherein I then was, I was guilty of the Folly of Subſcribing it. Dr. *Hutchinſon* of *Hammerſmith* was not named in the Paper that was ſhewn to me. There did indeed appear, in the Margin of the next Day's Print, the Name of one Dr. *Hutchinſon*; but, to my certain Knowledge, many of the Readers ſuppos'd the Perſon there appeal'd to, to be Dr. *Hutchinſon* of *Bury*. Your Lordſhip's Deſignation, of *Hammerſmith*, is undoubtedly right. That Dr. *Snape* read his *Charge* to me, before it was printed, I have already acknowledg'd; but that I then took Notice of the Difference or Diſtinction, betwixt the Words *Preaching* and *Publiſhing*, I do (and ſhall with my dying Breath) deny. I never projected the laying of a *Load*, or any part of a Load, of *Infamy* upon your Lordſhip; but heartily lamented the many heavy

heavy Charges that were upon you: And I could be content to ſuffer Ten times more, than I am like to do in this impertinent Wrangle, to ſee an *End* of thoſe Diſputes more than *equally glorious* to your Lordſhip with that of *this*. Is it *Nothing*, my Lord, to encourage a profligate Newſmonger, in his throwing into every Corner of the Kingdom ſuch a ſcurrilous Piece of Buffonry as that ſummary *Report* of the Cauſe now depending betwixt *B. S.* and *C.* which we had in Yeſterday's *Flying-Poſt?* Your Lordſhip ſeems reſolv'd that ſuch Scoffers as this ſhall not want Matter for the Continuance of their Mirth. The *Daily-Courant* of *Wedneſday* gives them this Repaſt:

'WHereas the *Charge* made againſt Me, by 'the Reverend Dr. *Snape*, in his *Second* 'Letter, was, that I had ſhewn my *Sermon* about 'the *Kingdom* of *Chriſt*, to a Perſon *BEFORE it* 'was preach'd, &c. and this, in order to prove me 'guilty of the *deteſtable Crime* of affirming a *ſo-* 'lemn Falſhood, in theſe Words of mine, *God knows*, 'I preach'd what I found in the New Teſtament, 'without the Knowledge of Any Man living: En- 'gaging that a *Biſhop* would charge himſelf with 'the Proof of the *Affirmative*, if I ſhould Anſwer 'in the *Negative*. Whereas, upon my Anſwering 'ſolemnly in the *Negative*, the ſaid *Doctor* drew up 'an *Advertiſement*, dated at *Eton*, naming the 'Lord *Biſhop* of *Carliſle*, for the *Perſon*, who had

ſo charg'd Himſelf with the Proof of the *Affirmative*: Whereas This *Advertiſement* was *amended* here at *London*, by leaving out theſe, or the like Words, *Before it was preach'd*, without putting inſtead of them, the Words, *After it was preach'd*; (which would have put a Stop to All Outcries and Inſults upon me, at once;) and with this fine *Amendment*, deſtroying, now it is explain'd, the whole of Dr. *Snape*'s Charge, was printed by Mr. *Bowyer*'s Order, with the *Doctor*'s Name to it, probably unknown to Him: and very much magnified, and triumph'd in for a Day. And whereas, notwithſtanding that my *Lord Biſhop* of *Carliſle* ſet His Hand to the *Truth* of what Dr. *Snape* teſtified to have paſs'd between them before, *viz.* that the Biſhop heard that *Paſſage* read, in which I am charg'd with ſhewing the *Sermon*, *BEFORE it was Preach'd*; and that he allow'd the *Doctor* to Print it, with an Aſſurance that He would prove the *Affirmative*: Whereas, I ſay, notwithſtanding this, the *Biſhop* hath, ſince that, in an *Advertiſement* of His own, denied that He ever affirmed that Any Perſon ſaw the *Sermon*, *BEFORE it was Preach'd*; upon which the *Whole* of the *Charge* was founded. I am obliged therefore, to call once more upon Dr. *Snape*, in this publick manner; and to demand of Him again to ſet this Matter before the World; that Men may judge of the following Particulars: What it was that the *Biſhop* undertook, in the Hearing of Dr. *Hutchinſon*, *to juſtify to All the World?* Whether the *Doctor* read that *Paſſage* to the *Biſhop*, as it is *now* in *pag.* 40. of his *Second Letter?* Whether the *Biſhop* charg'd Himſelf with the Proof of the *Affirmative* of the

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'*Charge*, as it is *now* there ſtated, *viz.* That the '*Sermon* was ſeen and alter'd *BEFORE it was* '*Preach'd?* or, Whether Any Alteration of the 'Senſe was made in that *Paſſage*, after the *Biſhop* 'had heard it read, and allow'd Him to publiſh it, 'with the *Aſſurance* mention'd? And, I might add, 'Whether He gave any ſuch Commiſſion to His '*Bookſeller*, as can juſtify his Alteration of the 'moſt material Part of his *Advertiſement?* And 'ſuch an *Alteration*, as now it comes to be under-'ſtood, makes the *Advertiſement* a manifeſt and 'groſs *Prevarication*. Let it fall where it will; 'I am reſolv'd, in my own Defence, as far as it is 'in my Power, to have this Affair laid open to the 'World. And if the *Doctor* can clear Himſelf of '*Any Part* of this *Load*, I am ſure, He will not 'take it amiſs, that I thus again call upon him. 'As for the *New Charge*, to be maintain'd by '*Somebody*, who is to appear *Some time or other*; 'the *Doctor* is not concern'd in it: Nor is it of 'Any Great Importance to *My ſelf*, any other-'wiſe, than as I have already *averr'd*, and do 'here again engage to prove, in the Face of the 'World, that it is equally *falſe*, and equally '*groundleſs*, with the Other.

BENJ. BANGOR.

The affirming a *ſolemn Falſhood* is moſt certainly a *deteſtable Crime:* And, if nothing will remove your Apprehenſions of this Sin's being imputed to you, till I follow the Inſtructions here given me, I know not how to

help you. There's a great deal of Difference betwixt leaving out the Words *Before it was preach'd* (in the *Advertiſement* ſign'd by Dr. *Snape* and me) and putting inſtead of them *After it was preach'd.* If two Perſons ſhould have heard your Lordſhip affirm that you had advis'd with Dr. *K. before you publiſh'd* your Sermon, one of theſe might have his Reaſons for apprehending that this was done *before* (and the other as ſtrong ones for believing that it was done *after*) *it was preach'd*; and yet neither of 'em contradict your Aſſertion. I need not apply this: Nor is it needful to take Notice of any thing that follows in this Paper, every one of the Particulars being already Reply'd to. Dr. *Snape* Anſwers the Challenge for himſelf, in the publick Papers of Yeſterday, in theſe Words:

'THE preſſing Demand on me, by my Lord
'of *Bangor*, in Yeſterday's *Courant*, obliges
'me to do my ſelf a piece of Juſtice, a few Days
'ſooner than I intended. I declare then, in the
'Preſence of Almighty God, the following Parti-
'culars to be ſtrictly true. Dr. *Hutchinſon* did
'report to me, that he heard the *Biſhop* of *Carliſle*
'ſay, the Alterations were made in the Sermon
'*before it was preach'd.* I was ſcrupulouſly exact
'in making that Enquiry, that I might not miſ-
'repreſent my Lord of *Bangor*, by accuſing him of
'*Publiſhing* a quite different Doctrine from what

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' he had *Preach'd*, and calling it the ſame; which,
' as light as his Lordſhip ſeems to make of it,
' would have been no trifling Charge. When
' Dr. *Hutchinſon*, at our ſecond Conference, gave
' me a repeated Aſſurance that the Alterations
' were previous to the Preaching; part of our
' Converſation turn'd on the Uſe I wou'd make of
' that Circumſtance, compar'd with his Lordſhip's
' Appeal to God, that *what he preach'd was without*
' *the Knowledge of any Man living*. When I read
' the Paſſage to my Lord of *Carliſle*, I not only
' recited diſtinctly, but more emphatically than
' the reſt, thoſe Words, (*Before it was Preached,*) as
' being the Circumſtance on which the Whole was
' grounded: And if his Lordſhip had taken any Ex-
' ception to thoſe Words, it wou'd have been kind,
' for the ſame Reaſon, to have forbid the whole
' Paſſage, which depended on that Suppoſition.
' At my Return from *Eton* to *London* on *Saturday*
' laſt, I went directly to my Lord of *Carliſle*; and
' upon his obſerving to me, that he had ſtruck out
' thoſe Words (*Before it was Preach'd*) from my
' Advertiſement, and ſhewing me a Letter he had
' juſt wrote to his *Informant*, where he deny'd that
' he had ever ſaid or thought the Advice about al-
' tering, to be given before the Sermon was preach-
' ed; I took Notice to his Lordſhip, that if there
' was any Miſtake in that Caſe, it was none of
' mine; Dr. *Hutchinſon* had ſo reported, and his
' Lordſhip had allow'd me to publiſh it with
' that Circumſtance. He reply'd, *to this Effect*,
' That he was ſure of the Main Subſtance, and
' might not take Notice of the particular Diſtin-
' ction between the Time of Preaching and of
' Printing.

'Printing. After which I am greatly ſurprized 'to find any Miſtake laid at my Door. I cannot 'ſay, I gave my Bookſeller Commiſſion to con-'ſent to any Alterations in my Advertiſement, be-'cauſe I could not ſuſpect his Lordſhip would 'offer any, the Whole was ſo agreeable to what 'he had allow'd me to publiſh before. But the 'Clamour againſt me had been ſo great that Day, 'that I believe he was glad to accept the Atteſta-'tion on any Terms; and I am heartily glad he 'did ſo. I might have ſtrengthen'd what I here 'affirm, by other correſponding Evidence, if my 'Lord of *Bangor* had not been ſo haſty with me; 'and may poſſibly do it ſtill, if I find it ne-'ceſſary.

A. SNAPE.

What I have already offer'd to your Lordſhip on theſe Heads; and was printed (as may be proved, if you have no weightier Demands to make) before I could poſſibly have the peruſal of this Paper, is perfectly agreeable to what the Doctor here advances in all the Particulars that paſs'd betwixt him and me. I do not diſtruſt what he here ſays of his Reading to me the Words (*Before it was Preach'd*) more emphatically than the reſt; but I can truly ſay, that I took Notice of no ſuch *Emphaſis*. Had he been as open with me, as he was with Doctor

ctor *Hutchinſon*, (in communicating the Uſe he intended to make of that Circumſtance,) all the Clutter we have had about this Point had been prevented.

Here's the *Glorious End* of our Week's Work. I have look'd into this Morning's Papers; and do not find that your Lordſhip has (as yet) any new Commands either for the Doctor, or me.

With what Comfort your Lordſhip will reflect on your being the Occaſion of all that wicked Merriment that has paſs'd amongſt the Enemies of Religion, in the Courſe of theſe ſeven Advertiſements, I cannot tell; but I think it very plain, that you are to have a Share in the Cenſures of the World, in ſpite of the brave Reſolution of *not ſuffering your Reputation to be torn in Pieces by any Man living.* The Dean of *Peterborough*'s Evidence and mine will certainly out-weigh one another, in their Turns, as they happen to fall where his Integrity or mine is moſtly prevalent: And whoever believes my Report, will be inclin'd likewiſe to believe, that my Informer ſpoke more Truth than he durſt ſtand to.

Whatever becomes of this Parly of ours, whether it ends in *Something* or *Nothing*, your Lordſhip's Appeal to the All-wiſe God, doth not only affirm, that *what you found*

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in the New Teſtament, (which, 'tis thought, no Man elſe can find) *was not only preach'd without the Knowledge of any Man living*; *but without the leaſt View of Pleaſing or Diſpleaſing any Man living*. I have already put you in Mind of the Circumſtances of our Eccleſiaſtical Eſtabliſhment at that Time: And I will only here add to that Obſervation, That he who, at *ſuch* a Juncture, could preach *ſuch* a Sermon as yours, *without the leaſt View of Pleaſing or Diſpleaſing any Man living*, was very *Short-ſighted*.

I am now call'd to the Houſe; and muſt therefore take Leave, with an Aſſurance, That this (as it is the *firſt*, ſo it) ſhall be the *laſt* Trouble of its kind, that you ſhall ever have in Print from

Your Lordſhip's, &c.

Friday, July 5. 1717.

W. Carliol.

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SINCE I ſent my *Letter* to the Preſs, I have receiv'd a Second from Dr. *Kennett*; who tells me that, by the ſame Poſt, he has alſo written to your Lordſhip. He is now ſo kind as to explain to me what he meant by his being able to *tell how I was drawn into ſuch a Miſtake*; which is done in this moſt affectionate Manner: *My Lord, I am heartily ſorry to ſee the public Papers taken up with ſuch* Advertiſements *of Perſonal Altercation. I do not queſtion but your Lordſhip has acted with Sincerity in this Matter; for Miſtake in Memory has nothing Inſincere in it. Some Body has told you that* Dr. Kennett *had done ſo and ſo. This your Lordſhip believ'd, and was poſſibly confirm'd in it by my talking with due Reſpect of the Biſhop*

of Bangor, *and my labouring to ſoften the harſher Senſe that was generally put upon his Lordſhip's late* Sermon. *I preſume your Lordſhip forgot the Perſon from whom you firſt receiv'd this Notion, till at laſt you began to conclude that you heard me ſpeak of it my ſelf.— I ſee now, my Lord, what our Enemies have been able to do. They have prejudic'd your Lordſhip againſt me, as a Friend and Favourite of the Biſhop of* Bangor's: *They have told you of my Intimacy with his Lordſhip, beyond the Degrees of it: They have made me his Confident, and Partaker in his Writings: This they have ſuggeſted ſo long, till they have referr'd your Lordſhip to my own Evidence for it, telling you that I had own'd it, and would ſtand to it. Your Lordſhip under theſe Thoughts talkt of it, till you verily believ'd it, and till you imagin'd that I my ſelf had inform'd you of it.* I have but one ſhort Reflection to make upon this friendly Expedient. Mr. *Dean* is not many Years younger than I am; and therefore I cannot imagine why he ſhould not reſerve to himſelf ſome ſhare in the Claim of Right to *ſincere Miſtakes in Memory.*

Saturday,

Saturday, July 6. This Morning a Gentleman, after the Copy of Dr. *Kennett's* Letter appear'd in the *Daily-Courant*, brought me a Written Paper, wherein were the following Words:

The Dean of Peterborough *waited on the Biſhop of* Bangor; *and, over a Diſh of* Tea, *told his Lordſhip, That his Sermon had made a a great Noiſe about the Town; but he hoped his Lordſhip would put in ſome neceſſary Limitations before he publiſh'd it, that it might not give Offence: And then ſaid; But, my Lord, why ſhould I ſay any Thing of that to your Lordſhip? for I am ſure, if it pleaſes your Lordſhip, it muſt pleaſe every Body.*

I forthwith carry'd it to my Brother in *Salisbury-Court*, ſuppoſing that he might be acquainted with the Perſon concern'd; who, my Friend told me, was an Eminent Citizen, and a Member of the *Common-Council.* My Brother quickly brought him to me; and he as readily gave his Atteſtation to the Truth of the Paper, in the following Subſcription:

This is a true Copy of what I gave under my Hand, as related to me by Mr. Timothy Child,

Child, *in* Child's *Coffee-House, and affirm'd to be reported to him by the Bishop of* Bangor *himself.*

Leonard Henchman.

The Gentleman has since let me know, (what he could not recollect at the Time of his Subscribing) That this Discourse happened betwixt him and Mr. *Child* on *Monday* last, *July* 1. the very Day whereon was publish'd the single *Advertisement* of

W. CARLIOL.

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